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Mayor Modifies Snow Emergency Order, Reminds Residents to Shovel Sidewalks

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(LANSING) – Mayor Bernero today modified his snow emergency declaration to permit on-street parking in areas of the city where snow clearing operations are completed. However, vehicles that have remained on the street since the snow storm ended will continue to be subject to ticketing and towing, regardless of whether or not the relevant street has been cleared of snow. In addition, the city's year-round prohibition on street parking between 2 a.m. and 5 a.m. remains in force. This modification to the mayor's emergency order takes effect at 6 a.m. tomorrow, February 26, 2016.

Mayor Bernero reminded city residents once again to clear snow and ice from their sidewalks as soon as possible to allow safe passage for children, seniors and the disabled. City workers will begin enforcing the 24-hour requirement in the snow ordinance at 10 a.m. tomorrow morning. Residents who wish to assist the Lansing Fire Department are also asked to clear around fire hydrants near their property to ensure quick access in case they are needed by LFD.

Mayor Bernero also announced that all city offices and services, including 54-A District Court, will be open for business beginning tomorrow, Friday, February 26, during normal business hours.

Snow clearing operations on the city's 440 miles of residential streets continue at a steady pace. Snow clearing on residential streets is expected to start this afternoon and will take a few days to complete. Updates on the city's plow routes are available online at lansingmi.gov or by signing up for the Nixle text alert system.

Private plowing contractors are also reminded that state law prohibits depositing snow, slush or ice on any street or highway. Violators will be issued a citation under the Michigan Vehicle Code, MCL 257.677a.

The mayor's emergency declaration, as amended, will remain in effect until snow clearing operations are completed across the city.